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Claims originally present: 1-25.
Claims previously canceled: none.
Claims previously amended: none.
Claims previously added: none.
Claims hereby canceled: 15-25.
Claims hereby withdrawn: none.
Claims hereby amended: none.
Claims hereby being added: none.
Claims hereby elected for prosecution: 1-14.
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3 Amendment "A"

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5 Please cancel claims 15-25, without prejudice. The state of the claims following
6 this Amendment "A" is as follows:

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8 Claim 1 (original). An ambulance stretcher support for an ambulance having a floor with
9 a top floor surface, comprising:

10 a stretcher leg receiving member adapted to releasably receive an ambulance
11 stretcher leg;

12 a base configured to be mounted to the ambulance floor and to mount the
13 stretcher leg receiving member for movement between a position substantially coplanar
14 with the top floor surface, and a position below the top floor surface;

15 a vibration reduction device mounted between the base and the stretcher leg
16 receiving member; and

17 wherein a stretcher leg can be releasably supported on the stretcher leg receiving
18 member and the vibration reduction device will reduce transfer of vibration from the
19 ambulance floor to the ambulance stretcher.

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21 Claim 2 (original). The ambulance stretcher support of claim 1, wherein the stretcher leg
22 receiving member includes a concave stretcher wheel receiving surface.

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24 Claim 3 (original). The ambulance stretcher support of claim 1, wherein the vibration
25 reduction device is comprised of at least three coil springs mounted between the
stretcher leg receiving member and the base.